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SUBJECT: SEYCHELLES- FY 2007 SELF HELP FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT

11. SUMMARY: During FY 2007 Embassy Port Louis granted the \$20,000 allotment for the Ambassador's Self Help Program to four diverse projects. While one of the projects is complete, the rest are still in progress and performing satisfactorily. Post is cautiously optimistic that all projects will be completed by October 31, 2008. END SUMMARY.

1A. Name of Grantee: Wildlife Clubs of Seychelles

I.A.A No.: 7662010

Project Title: Innovative school project for students

Beneficiaries: 3 schools- around 150 students

USD amount: 3,160

Un-liquidated balance: 3,160

Description of Activity: Funds used to carry out an inventory of rare fruits and medicinal plants and crops. Project aims to encourage students to discover traditional food crops and medicinal plants, conserve them in their school gardens, and use them in their daily life. Pilot gardens in three local schools will be part of the project. Funds generated from the sale of seedlings, plants, and fruits will be reinvested in the running nursery and gardens to sustain the project.

Status: In progress

1B. Name of Grantee: Nature Seychelles

I.A.A No.: 7662020

Project Title: Environmental Protection project

Beneficiaries: 10,000 visitors yearly

USD amount: 5,000

Un-liquidated balance: 5,000

Description of Activity: Funds used to purchase materials, supplies, and equipment to refurbish the Cousin Island visitors' reception facility for an environment suited for the needs of visitors and island management. The island is a nature reserve and is open to visitors and to students once a week for educational programs.

Status: In progress

¶C. Name of Grantee: Women in Action and Solidarity (WASO)

I.A.A No.: 7662030

Project Title: Women's Empowerment Program

Beneficiaries: 70 USD amount: 5,920

Un-liquidated balance: 2,363

Description of Activity: Funds used to purchase 2 sewing machines, equipment, and materials to provide training to young and unemployed women in sewing and handicraft. Product sales will sustain the association and will help women earn an income.

Status: In progress

1D. Name of Grantee: Holistic Health and Living Association of Seychelles

I.A.A No.: 766240

Project Title: Course Materials for a Workshop

Beneficiaries: 150 USD amount: 5,920

Un-liquidated balance: 110

Description of Activity: Funds used to purchase a photocopier and a printer to produce course materials for a workshop that targets vulnerable groups such as young people, teenagers, and single parents. The workshop encourages them to use self-empowerment skills to overcome problems associated with risky behavior; and seeks to inculcate human values, self management, and leadership and forgiveness skills.

Status: Complete

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